#### § 1204.22

Clerk of the Board, a Regional Director, or Chief Administrative Judge:

- (1) A denial of access to agency records;
- (2) A denial of a request for a waiver or reduced fees;
- (3) A decision that it is technically not possible to reproduce electronically maintained information in the requester's preferred format;
- (4) A denial of a request for expedited processing of information under this part; or
- (5) A failure to decide a request for expedited processing within 10 workdays from the date of the request.
- (b) Appeals must be filed with the Chairman, Merit Systems Protection Board, 1615 M Street, NW., Washington, DC 20419-0001 within 10 workdays from the date of the denial. Any appeal must include a copy of the initial request, a copy of the letter denying the request, and a statement of the reasons why the requester believes the denying employee erred.

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#### §1204.22 Decision on appeal.

A decision on an appeal will be made within 20 workdays after the appeal is received. A decision not to provide expeditious processing of a request will be made within 15 workdays after the appeal is received. The decision will be in writing and will contain the reasons for the decision and information about the appellant's right to seek court review of the denial.

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#### **Subpart A—General Provisions**

#### § 1205.1 Purpose.

This subpart implements the Privacy Act of 1974, 5 U.S.C. 552a, ("the Act") by stating the procedures by which individuals may determine the existence of, seek access to, and request amendment of Board records concerning themselves, and by stating the requirements that apply to Board employees' use and disclosure of those records.

#### § 1205.2 Policy and scope.

The Board's policy is to apply these regulations to all records that can be retrieved from a system of records under the Board's control by using an individual's name or by using a number, symbol, or other way to identify the individual. These regulations, however, do not govern the rights of the parties in adversary proceedings before the Board to obtain discovery from adverse parties; those rights are governed by part 1201 and part 1209 of this chapter. These regulations also are not meant to allow the alteration, either before or after the Board has issued a decision on an appeal, of evidence presented during the Board's adjudication of the appeal.

## § 1205.3 Definitions.

The definitions of 5 U.S.C. 552a apply to this part. In addition, as used in this part:

- (a) *Inquiry* means a request by an individual regarding whether the Board has a record that refers to that individual
- (b) Request for access means a request by an individual to look at or copy a record.
- (c) Request for amendment means a request by an individual to change the